Mr. C. A. Kunjunni Raja's Nambudiri Religious and Charitable Endowments Bill.

PRESIDENT.

The next item of business is the introduction of the Nambudiri Religious and Charitable Endowments Bill by Mr. C. A. Kunjnnni Raja.

Mr. C. A. KUNJUNNI RAJA.

Sir, I do not propose to move the Bill in this meeting. Under S. O. 4, I can postpone it for the next sitting.

PRESIDENT.

Under the proviso to clause 2, S. O. 4, you have got a right to do so, and it may be carried over to the next meeting.

Resolutions on Matters of General Public Interest.

PRESIDENT.

We shall continue the discussion on Mr. Mathew's resolution regarding the Ayurvedic Hospital.

The Establishment of a Central Ayurvedic Hospital in the State.

Dr. A. R. MENON.

Mr. President, the stage has passed when any useful purpose would be served by discussing the merits and demerits of the respective systems of medicine. So far as we can gather from the discussion of yesterday, both systems have their relative merits and demerits. But a combination of these two will go a long way in solving the difficult problem of medical relief. The Allopathic system involves very great expenditure. The question is whether the Ayurvedic or the Allopathic system is more economical. Considering the importance of this question, I took infinite pains, and in consultation with the practitioners of both the Ayurvedic and Allopathic systems, I had prepared and submitted a Bill for introduction into this Council. But I regret that, owing to causes over which I have no control, the Bill has not yet been sanctioned, nor published in the Gazette, on the ground that there is a possibility that it may affect the revenues of the State. But, at the same time, the Diwan was pleased to sanction and to publish in the Gazette Mr. Salem's Old Age Pensions Bill, involving an expenditure of something like 5 or 6 lakhs of rupees. My Bill does not propose to deprive any Government officer of his salary. Hence those who are interested in this matter may go to their beds and sleep in peace.

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